Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 5, 2011

Attendee - Jenny Stone, Cami Bowler, Diane Marsh; Joe Welch

Dave attended our PLC today and we discussed how to improve our overall Extended Learning Projects. Joe agreed to begin 3rd quarter with his projects so by the end of the year we should all be requiring our 8th graders to complete a project outside of class.

Dave discussed that our project worked well with gifted students and offered suggestions to when students don’t complete the project their grade is not destroyed by it. We decided that the project should be graded from all students but decided that the project be worth only 10% of the overall grade.

Dave also suggested that we removed the “Reflection” term. Still use the questionnaire, but for 8th graders the idea of reflecting on their work may be overwhelming to some. We decided to use the term “Experience.” He also suggested that we as teachers clarify exactly what we were assessing students on by having a clearer rubric with the experience questionnaire.

Overall, the meeting was the most beneficial. During our next meeting, we will implement the changes.

The next meeting will be January 12th in Jenny Stone’s classroom.